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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

The following narrative and tables are from recently published reports by USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board. These data are direct results of information provided by Nebraska producers and agribusinesses to the surveys conducted each month by this office.

Thank you for your response to these surveys.

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## Nebraska Cattle on Feed Up 1 Percent

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained 1.98 million cattle on feed on August 1, 2011. This inventory was up 1 percent from last year and is the largest August 1 inventory since the data set began in 1994. Placements of cattle into feedlots during July totaled 390,000 head, up 5 percent from 2010. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 415,000 head, up 4 percent from last year. Other disappearance during July totaled 15,000 head, up 50 percent from 2010.

## U.S. Cattle on Feed Up 8 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.6 million head on August 1, 2011. The inventory was 8 percent above August 1, 2010. Placements in feedlots during July totaled 2.15 million, 22 percent above 2010. This is the highest placement total for the month of July since the series began in 1996. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.91 million, slightly above 2010. Other disappearance totaled 67,000 during July, 40 percent above 2010.

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2010-2011**

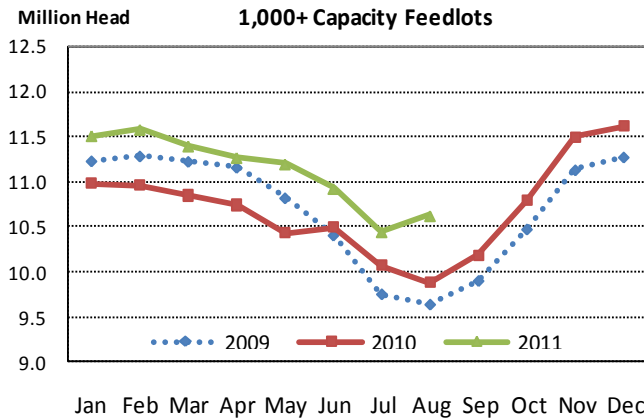
State	August 1 Number on Feed <sup>1</sup>			July Placements			July Marketings			July Other Disappearance <sup>2</sup>		
	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> <u>2010</u>	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> <u>2010</u>	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> <u>2010</u>	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> <u>2010</u>
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	248	289	117	21	26	124	27	23	85	1	1	100
California	435	480	110	51	62	122	43	48	112	3	4	133
Colorado	890	970	109	140	170	121	165	195	118	5	5	100
Idaho	190	195	103	34	24	71	43	41	95	1	3	300
Iowa	560	560	100	69	60	87	77	88	114	2	2	100
Kansas	2,040	2,180	107	500	580	116	460	420	91	10	10	100
Nebraska	1,960	1,980	101	370	390	105	400	415	104	10	15	150
Oklahoma	335	360	107	49	86	176	63	74	117	1	2	200
South Dakota	200	195	98	33	22	67	47	35	74	1	2	200
Texas	2,520	2,860	113	410	640	156	470	465	99	10	15	150
Washington	163	190	117	34	42	124	38	44	116	1	5	500
Other States	339	367	108	47	51	109	68	60	88	3	3	100
U.S.	9,880	10,626	108	1,758	2,153	122	1,901	1,908	100	48	67	140

<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

<sup>2</sup> Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

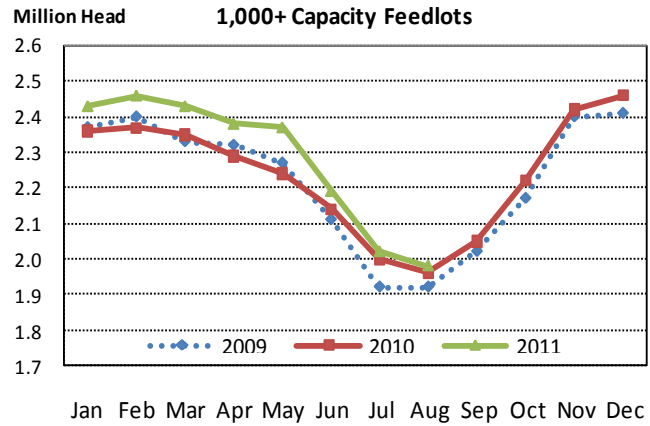
Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, August 19, 2011

**United States Cattle on Feed  
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots**



Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec  
Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

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**Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity  
Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2010-2011**

State	During July									
	Under 600		600-699		700-799		800 Plus		Total	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>									
Colorado	15	45	20	25	40	40	65	60	140	170
Kansas	75	95	90	115	165	190	170	180	500	580
Nebraska	50	60	70	70	90	100	160	160	370	390
Texas	190	305	75	140	85	100	60	95	410	640
Other States	85	120	50	55	68	68	135	130	338	373
United States	415	625	305	405	448	498	590	625	1,758	2,153

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed August 19, 2011

### Commercial Livestock Slaughter

July 2011 number slaughtered and changes from last year and last month are shown below. July 2010 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and 5 Saturdays. July 2011 contained 21 weekdays (including one holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

**Livestock Slaughter: By Commodity,  
Nebraska and United States,  
July 2011 with Comparisons**

Item	Total <sup>1</sup>	July 2011 Percent of	
		July 2010	June 2011
Nebraska	<i>1,000 Head</i>		
Cattle, head	562.1	94	91
Hogs, head	574.3	95	92
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	568.7	95	91
United States			
Cattle, head	2,765.8	95	89
Calves, head	73.4	98	101
Hogs, head	8,158.5	96	91
Sheep & Lambs, head	164.9	84	90
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	3,793.4	96	90

<sup>1</sup> Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter August 26, 2011

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, United  
States, July 2011 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Stocks	July 2011 Percent of	
		July 2010	June 2011
	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>		
Total red meats	896,773	111	94
Beef	418,060	108	97
Pork	453,856	116	92
Poultry	1,295,429	110	102
Turkey	524,918	105	103
Chicken	764,420	114	101

Source: USDA NASS Cold Storage August 22, 2011

**Poultry: Layers and Eggs, Nebraska and  
United States, July 2011 with Comparisons**

Item	2010	2011	2011/2010
	<i>Millions</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Number of Layers			
Nebraska	9.3	9.1	98
United States	339.9	335.8	99
Table Eggs Produced			
Nebraska	236	227	96
United States	6,610	6,651	101
Chickens Hatched, July			
United States			
Egg-type	38.1	37.4	98
Broiler	801.7	770.4	96

Source: USDA NASS Chicken and Eggs August 22, 2011

### Milk Cows and Production: By Month, 23 Selected States, 2010-2011

Month	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	Change from 2010
	<i>Thousand head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January	8,319	8,404	1,784	1,810	14,839	15,213	2.5
February	8,323	8,405	1,642	1,664	13,670	13,987	2.3
March	8,329	8,426	1,848	1,870	15,389	15,757	2.4
April	8,337	8,435	1,825	1,834	15,213	15,471	1.7
May	8,347	8,451	1,893	1,901	15,804	16,063	1.6
June	8,356	8,460	1,817	1,819	15,186	15,389	1.3
July	8,375	8,468	1,829	1,824	15,316	15,445	0.8
August	8,369		1,792		14,998		
September	8,371		1,730		14,481		
October	8,372		1,767		14,796		
November	8,373		1,722		14,421		
December	8,387		1,791		15,025		
Annual	8,355		21,440		179,138		

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. <sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, August 18, 2011

### Farm Labor: Number and Wage Rates for Type of Workers and All Hired Workers, Selected Regions and United States, July 11-17, 2010 & July 10-16, 2011<sup>1</sup>

Region <sup>2</sup>	Hired Workers		Wage Rates							
			All Hired Workers		Type of work					
					Field		Livestock		Field & Livestock	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Dollars Per Hour</i>							
Lake	64	74	11.10	10.75	11.09	10.33	9.47	10.24	10.45	10.30
Cornbelt I	50	41	11.20	11.15	10.57	10.66	11.17	10.63	10.75	10.65
Cornbelt II	33	33	11.20	12.15	10.51	12.25	11.45	11.43	10.95	12.00
Northern Plains	46	37	11.80	11.20	11.74	11.04	11.20	10.96	11.50	11.00
Southern Plains	53	51	9.90	10.60	8.98	10.14	9.54	10.25	9.20	10.20
Mountain I	27	28	10.32	10.25	9.95	10.18	9.39	9.91	9.70	10.05
Mountain II	24	19	10.05	10.55	9.61	9.77	8.99	9.19	9.40	9.55
United States <sup>3</sup>	885	836	10.79	10.90	10.09	10.24	10.15	10.28	10.11	10.25

<sup>1</sup> Excludes agricultural service workers. <sup>2</sup> Regions consist of the following: Lake: Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin; Cornbelt I: Illinois, Indiana, Ohio; Cornbelt II: Iowa, Missouri; Northern Plains: Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota; Southern Plains: Oklahoma, Texas; Mountain I: Idaho, Montana, Wyoming; Mountain II: Colorado, Nevada, Utah. <sup>3</sup> Excludes Alaska.

Source: USDA NASS Farm Labor, August 18, 2011

### Prices Received: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, Preliminary August 2011 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Nebraska			United States		
		August 2010 <sup>1</sup>	July 2011 <sup>1</sup>	Aug. 15, 2011 <sup>2</sup>	August 2010 <sup>1</sup>	July 2011 <sup>1</sup>	Aug. 15, 2011 <sup>2</sup>
		<i>Dollars</i>			<i>Dollars</i>		
Wheat, All	Bushel	5.26	6.86	7.25	5.44	7.10	7.56
Corn	Bushel	3.68	6.26	6.60	3.65	6.32	6.62
Oats	Bushel	2.46	3.70	3.70	2.09	3.35	3.33
Grain Sorghum	Cwt	5.96	12.40	12.40	6.36	10.40	12.30
Soybeans	Bushel	9.93	13.10	12.70	10.10	13.20	12.90
Hay, All, Baled	Ton	77.00	93.00	107.00	110.00	170.00	172.00
Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	79.00	99.00	112.00	118.00	189.00	191.00
Other, Baled	Ton	69.00	76.00	87.00	95.10	119.00	127.00
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt	22.80	29.40	40.00	29.40	34.10	42.00
Hogs	Cwt	63.10	(NA)	(NA)	61.30	71.70 <sup>3</sup>	76.70 <sup>3</sup>
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	63.10	(NA)	(NA)	61.50	72.40 <sup>3</sup>	77.20 <sup>3</sup>
Sows	Cwt	60.70	(NA)	(NA)	57.90	55.80 <sup>3</sup>	65.30 <sup>3</sup>
Beef Cattle	Cwt	96.00	(NA)	(NA)	93.50	111.00 <sup>3</sup>	110.00 <sup>3</sup>
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	97.00	(NA)	(NA)	98.10	115.00 <sup>3</sup>	113.00 <sup>3</sup>
Cows	Cwt	63.70	(NA)	(NA)	58.30	73.60 <sup>3</sup>	71.10 <sup>3</sup>
Calves	Cwt	134.00	(NA)	(NA)	123.00	138.00 <sup>3</sup>	134.00 <sup>3</sup>
Sheep	Cwt	53.70	(NA)	(NA)	47.60	56.50 <sup>3</sup>	(NA)
Lambs	Cwt	126.00	(NA)	(NA)	127.00	194.00 <sup>3</sup>	(NA)

<sup>1</sup> Entire month average except hay. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary. <sup>3</sup> Price data source is USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. (NA) Not Available – State prices discontinued. Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, August 31, 2011

# U.S. Agricultural Exports, by Leading States: Estimated Value by Commodity Group, FY 2010

Commodity Group	United States	Leading 10 States, by value									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Million Dollars									
Total	108,663.7	CA 12,794.0	IA 7,041.3	TX 6,125.0	IL 5,786.5	NE 5,317.2	MN 5,037.0	KS 4,866.1	IN 3,422.0	ND 3,245.0	MO 2,861.0
Soybeans and products	22,086.4	IA 3,291.9	IL 3,091.9	MN 2,182.2	NE 1,776.2	IN 1,714.9	OH 1,461.6	MO 1,395.8	SD 1,043.6	ND 918.0	KS 916.3
Feed grain and Products	11,912.2	IA 1,873.7	IL 1,708.0	NE 1,322.4	MN 1,132.9	KS 855.2	IN 801.6	SD 512.8	TX 507.2	OH 475.2	WI 442.7
Live animals and meat	8,906.5	IA 1,402.7	NE 1,056.6	TX 696.3	KS 675.0	MN 542.0	NC 524.7	IL 519.8	IN 376.6	MO 370.3	KY 358.9
Wheat and products	8,666.6	KS 1,141.3	ND 1,102.8	MT 657.5	TX 466.6	WA 435.6	MN 376.1	OK 363.9	CO 344.4	SD 328.1	ID 299.6
Fruit and preparations	6,115.6	CA 3,194.2	WA 1,067.3	FL 603.2	OR 222.9	TX 204.1	NY 183.7	MI 144.6	PA 74.3	GA 46.7	HI & NC 35.1
Vegetables and preparations	5,556.0	CA 2,085.3	WA 682.4	ID 469.1	ND 373.7	OR 189.4	FL 186.1	WI 180.3	MN 166.0	MI 157.9	MT 139.9
Cotton and linters	4,840.2	TX 2,083.8	GA 572.5	CA 351.5	AR 303.0	NC 249.0	MS 218.2	MO 175.9	TN 174.6	AZ 153.9	AL 123.2
Feeds and fodders	4,836.5	KS 653.0	TX 588.3	ID 389.2	ND 387.7	MT 340.4	NE 248.8	IA 172.1	MN 170.4	CO 165.9	MO 126.0
Poultry and products	4,619.0	GA 468.7	AR 432.8	NC 428.1	AL 387.0	MS 314.1	IN 264.6	TX 256.5	CA 175.3	PA 162.9	SC 135.4
Tree nuts	4,062.2	CA 3,599.9	HI 113.2	OR 96.3	GA 76.4	NM 69.0	TX 61.6	AZ 23.4	AL 7.4	OK 7.4	SC 2.0
Dairy products	3,458.1	WI 712.0	CA 705.7	NY 288.3	ID 208.2	NM 177.8	MN 153.0	PA 121.9	OH 60.0	IA 59.0	SD 58.2
Rice	2,481.3	AR 1,180.6	CA 452.4	LA 333.0	MS 211.8	MO 165.9	TX 137.5	na na	na na	na na	na na
Hides and skins	2,116.8	NE 383.8	KS 350.0	TX 343.6	WI 167.6	CO 149.1	CA 96.8	UT 80.6	MN 77.4	WA 66.6	IL 59.9
Tobacco, un-manufactured	1,221.3	NC 601.3	KY 237.8	CT 93.4	VA 76.4	PA 48.5	GA 47.2	TN 46.3	MA 19.4	SC 12.8	OH 8.2
Seeds	1,218.4	CA 248.6	OR 241.1	SD 79.7	ND 45.4	KS 44.2	FL 39.4	AZ 36.8	IN 36.3	TX 27.1	NV 26.5
Animal fats	949.5	NE 183.7	KS 162.2	TX 158.9	CO 63.4	WI 45.2	CA 44.8	IA 44.4	MN 33.9	IL 32.2	WA 27.3
Peanuts and products	325.3	GA 154.6	TX 45.9	AL 37.6	FL 35.9	NC 18.8	SC 17.0	OK 5.3	MS 4.9	VA 2.5	NM 2.5
Sunflowerseed and oil	265.5	ND 121.8	SD 75.0	KS 18.1	CO 16.3	MN 11.3	TX 9.3	NE 8.1	OK 1.7	na na	na na
Cottonseed and products	130.2	TX 58.7	GA 14.1	AR 8.6	CA 7.3	NC 6.4	MS 6.0	MO 5.0	TN 4.7	AZ 4.4	AL 3.3
Other	14,896.0	CA 1,087.1	FL 478.5	TX 367.7	OR 278.5	NC 232.7	MI 175.4	AZ 118.2	NJ 109.0	GA 104.2	NY 101.9

na = not applicable.

Other = Sugar and tropical products, minor oilseeds, essential oils, beverages other than juice, nursery and greenhouse, wine, and misc. vegetable products.

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